Attorney Docket No. S-2490/CONT/CIP MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appendix A

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A defoamer method for imparting defoaming property to a baking finish type top coat paint for motor vehicles reharacterized by comprising the step of:

adding a copolymer of 2-50% by weight of (A) a polymerizable monomer capable of forming a copolymer having isocyanate groups which can react with a binder resin in thermosetting paint or (B) a polymerizable monomer capable of forming a copolymer having such groups capable of producing isocyanate groups which can react with a binder resin in thermosetting paint during baking step of the same paint, and 98-50% by weight of (C) other monomer or polymer reactable with said polymerizable monomer (A) or (B) to the top coat paint.

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- 2. (Currently Amended) A defeamer The method according to claim 1, in which the polymerizable monomer (A) is 2-isocyanatoethyl methacrylate or 3-isopropenyl- α , α -dimethylbenzylisocyanate.
- 3. (Currently Amended) A defoamer The method according to claim 1, in which the polymerizable monomer (B) is 2-(0-[1'-methylpropylideneamino]carboxyamino)ethyl methacrylate or 2-(0-[1'-methylpropylideneamino]carboxyamino)ethyl acrylate.
- 4. (Currently Amended) A defoamer The method according to claim 1, in which said other monomer or polymer (C) is alkyl acrylate, alkyl methacrylate, alkyl vinyl ether, or a polymer having reactive groups such as vinyl-containing polybutadiene.